Reply of Government.—This is a subject for the Municipal Board. Let an application be made to the Board.

Subject No. 388.

(a) Repairs to Anavatti-Tavanandi road.

(*a*) *Summary of discussion.*—The Anavatti-Tavanandi road may be ordered to be repaired from Local Funds at an early date. Estimates for this purpose were several times prepared within the past five years but no work has been done.

Reply of Government.—This is a matter for the Local Fund Board.

(b) Execution of certain Local Fund works in the district.

(*b*) It is requested that the following works may be executed for the convenience of the public :—

(1) Repair of Rayasadakere situated beyond the musafirkhana at Tirthahalli or sinking a well near it.

(2) Construction of a kitchen between the bangalow and musafirkhana at Malur (Tirthahalli taluk).

(3) Construction of a musafirkhana and a well at Guddekoppa (Nagar taluk).

Do at Humchadakatte, Tirthahalli taluk.

(4) Construction of a suitable building for chattram and musafirkhana at Mandagadde.

(5) Construction of a musafirkhana and a well at Kallurkatte.

(6) Opening of a cart-track from Melgi *via* Devangi to join Koppa Tirthahalli road with tunnels where necessary.

Reply of Government.—Referred to the Local Fund Board for consideration.

Subject No. 389.

Introduction of the elective system into the Shimoga Municipality.

Mr. B. Garudachar.

Summary of discussion.—The elective system, which is in vogue in the Cities of Mysore and Bangalore, may also be extended to this important town of Shimoga, a prayer which has been under the consideration of Government for several years.

Reply of Government.—The promulgation of the Draft Municipal Regulation, which contains the necessary provision, should be awaited.

Subject No. 390.

Extension of Sayer procedure to Municipal Octroi.

Mr. B. Garudachar.

Summary of discussion.—The Government may kindly extend the benefits of the Sayer procedure to the Octroi system, to minimize the chances of smuggling and fraud.

Reply of Government.—Already disposed of. *Vide* Subject No. 386 (*b*) *supra*.

Subject No. 391.

Inducement to convert thatched houses to tiled ones

Mr. S. R. Balakrishna Rao.

Summary of discussion.—Owners of thatched houses in Shimoga may be induced to have their houses tiled so as to prevent injuries from fire ; great risk now exists. Every year fires happen. Inducement may be given to owners in the shape of loans repayable by easy instalments, such loans being regarded as the first charge upon their properties.